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November 1, 2005 5:53 PM

Senator Russell Feingold  
U.S. Senate  
506 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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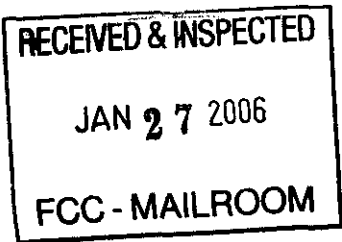
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**RALPH KESLER**

1511 ELLEN CT , LITTLE ROCK, AR 72212-3814

November 1, 2005 2:01 PM

Representative Vic Snyder  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1330 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Snyder:

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Elizabeth Rahn

740 E. Main St. , Centerville, SD 57014

November 2, 2005 9:37 AM

Senator John Thune  
U.S. Senate  
383 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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**Kathleen Farr**

4021 Canoe Run Road , Jersey Shore, PA 17740

November 1, 2005 1:17 PM

Representative John Peterson  
U.S. House of Representatives  
123 Cannon House Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

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Kelly Seifert

1207 Sycamore , Larned, KS 67550

November 2, 2005 9:44 AM

Senator Pat Roberts  
U.S. Senate  
109 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Lisa Laatz

6831 Norwood Ave. , Allen Park, MI 48101-2412

November 2, 2005 9:44 AM

Senator Debbie Stabenow  
U.S. Senate  
133 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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**Marlene Callas**

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November 1, 2005 12:56 PM

Representative Wayne Gilchrest  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2245 Rayburn House Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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**Edward Earley**

7907 Trails End , Fogelsville, PA 18051

November 1, 2005 1:13 PM

Senator Arlen Specter  
U.S. Senate  
711 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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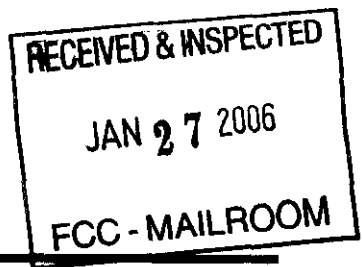
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**Mara Morgen**

The Cat's Corner & More 3455 Western Drive, Eugene, OR 97401

November 1, 2005 1:47 PM

Senator Ron Wyden  
U.S. Senate  
230 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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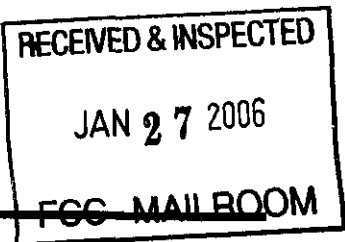
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Kristen King

32010 Higley Rd. , Middleport, OH 45760

November 1, 2005 1:55 PM

Senator George Voinovich  
U.S. Senate  
524 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Kristen King

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Beverly Youngs

24252 County Rt. 189 , Lorraine, NY 13659

November 1, 2005 5:53 PM

Senator Hillary Clinton  
U.S. Senate  
476 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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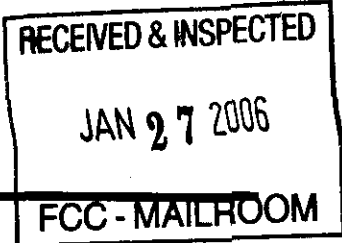
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November 1, 2005 1:13 PM

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U.S. House of Representatives  
502 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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November 1, 2005 1:15 PM

Representative Adam Smith  
U.S. House of Representatives  
227 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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225 Cannon House Office Building  
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Sincerely,

John Lauro

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November 1, 2005 1:03 PM

Senator Barack Obama  
U.S. Senate  
713 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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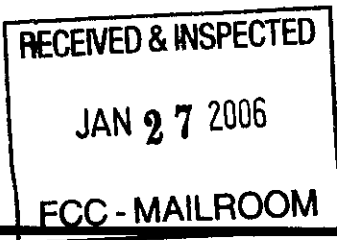
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